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AGGRAVATED ASSAULT – ARREST EAST IRVINGTON ROAD / SOUTH CAMPBELL AVENUE

On July 17, 2014, at approximately 6:08 p.m., officers from Operations Division South responded to the area of East Irvington Road and South Campbell Avenue reference a possible shooting. Upon arrival officers located a vehicle near the intersection. The adult male driver of that vehicle advised that his 9 year-old daughter had been shot in the leg by individuals who left the scene in a separate vehicle. The Tucson Fire Department treated the child on scene and then transported her to a local area hospital for non-life threatening injuries to her leg.

The Tucson Police Department's Night Detective Unit responded to the scene to continue the investigation. The initial investigation revealed that two vehicles were traveling eastbound on Irvington Road when a road rage incident took place. The occupants of both vehicles began arguing with each other and the incident continued onto southbound Campbell Avenue. At one point during the argument, guns were displayed and gunfire was exchanged from both vehicles. That is when the 9 year-old female in one of the vehicles was struck in the leg by the gunfire. There were 3 other occupants in that vehicle, including an 11 year-old boy. No one else was injured during the incident. The second vehicle left the scene before police arrived. The vehicle that left the scene was occupied by two males. That vehicle was described as a white Dodge Neon with a temporary license plate.

Later that evening officers located the Dodge Neon and the occupants of the vehicle. Gang detectives spoke with the occupants and their investigation revealed that they were involved with the earlier shooting. The driver was identified as 19 year-old, Oscar Santa Maria. The passenger was identified as 20 year-old Carlos Santa Maria. Both suspects were arrested and booked into Pima County Jail. Oscar was booked on 1 count of Drive-By Shooting. Carlos was booked on 1 count of Drive-By Shooting and 4 counts of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon.

This investigation is still on-going. At this time charges against the other driver are pending. Child protective services were called and the children were temporarily placed with family members. Booking photos of the arrestees are attached below.

The Tucson Police Department would like to remind citizens to avoid confrontations while driving on the roadway. It is a danger to yourself and others around you. If you see vehicles driving in an aggressive manner, please call 911 to report the incident.

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